

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A surgical implant for securing sutures, grafts, synthetic materials, and soft tissue to bone or soft tissue at selected target site comprising:

5 a) a piton member having proximal and distal ends, said distal end being designed and configured to penetrate into and become embedded within said bone or tissue at said target site, said piton member being insertable within bone such that said piton member defines a pathway
10 of penetration there within;

b) an attachment member formed upon said proximal end of said piton member, said attachment member being designed to receive and securably hold said suture, graft or soft tissue; and

15 c) wherein said attachment member is formed relative said piton member such that in use, when said suture, graft or soft tissue is attached to said attachment member and tension is applied thereto, said piton member is caused to advance toward said penetration
20 pathway.

2. The surgical implant of Claim 1 wherein said first pathway of penetration extends along a first axis and said strain imparted to said attachment member is applied along a second axis, wherein said first and second axes are not parallel
25 to one another.

3. The surgical implant of Claim 1 wherein said first pathway of penetration extends along a first axis and said strain imparted to said attachment member is applied along a second axis, wherein said first and second axes are parallel to
30 one another.

4. The surgical implant of Claim 1 wherein said attachment member comprises an eyelet.

5. The surgical implant of Claim 1 wherein said attachment member comprises a post.

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